Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid

Public Meeting Wednesday, May 14, 2003 National Press Club 529 14th Street, NW 13th Floor Washington, DC

Agenda

"U.S. Foreign Assistance Strategy - A New Role for NGOs and USAID?"

9:00	Registration
9:30	Welcome: William S. Reese, ACVFA Chair Ballroom
9:35	Keynote Address: "Trade Capacity Building: A Key Tool for Sustainable Growth in Developing Countries" Ballroom
	Andrew S. Natsios, Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development"
9:55	Q & A
10:15	Panel: "Helping Developing Countries Participate in Global Trade" Ballroom
	Moderator: Nick Eberstadt, ACVFA Member
	Emmy Simmons, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade, USAID Constance Newman, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Africa, USAID J. Michael Deal, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean, USAID
10:45	Q & A
11:15	Panel: "NGOs and the Private Sector: Building Trade Capacity through Partnerships" Ballroom
	Moderator: Elise Smith, ACVFA Member
	Stephen J. Hadley, Director, Office of Economic Growth, Bureau for Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade, USAID Ritu Sharma, Co-Founder and Executive Director, Women's Edge Don Crane, Executive Vice President, ACDI/VOCA Julia K. Hughes, V.P. International Trade and Government Relations, U.S. Association of Importers of Textiles and Apparel (USA-ITA)
12:00	Q&A

12:30 **Lunch**

1:45 "Post-Conflict Reconstruction: Moving Toward a New Vision" Ballroom

This session will address the recommendations of the Bipartisan Commission on Post-Conflict Reconstruction and will propose strategies that the U.S. Government, international agencies, and NGOs might adopt to improve relief and reconstruction practices.

Moderator: *Roger Winter*, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, USAID

Speakers:

Frederick D. Barton, Senior Adviser, Post-Conflict Reconstruction Project Co-Director, Center for Strategic and International Studies

Julia Taft, Assistant Administrator, United Nations Development Program *Peter Bell*, President and CEO, CARE USA

Richard L. Greene, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Population, Refugees, and Migration, U.S. Department of State

James Kunder, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Asia and the Near East, USAID, former USAID Representative, Kabul, Afghanistan

3:00 Q&A

3:45 Wrap Up

4:00 Adjournment